(c) what is Government's reaction to thses moves?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE:) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In his remarks to the national Geographic Society in Washington on June 11, 1998, US President Bill Clinton, said inter alia "because of its history with both countries, Chine must be a part of any ultimate resolution of this matter". Subsequently on June 27, 1998, the US and Chine issued a Joint Statement on South Asia which inter alia stated that "we are committed to assist where possible India and Pakistan tor esolve peacefully the difficult and long-standing differences between them, including the issue of Kashmir .....we reafirm our hope that we can jointly and individually contribute to the achievement of a peaceful, prosperous and secure South Asia..... we will work to achieve a peaceful and mutually acceptable resolution of differences between Indian and Pakistan".

(c) Government have conveyed its reaction to the Joint State in the statement of official spokesman issued on 27.06.1998, which categorically rejects this approach as completely unacceptable.

Aid to Iraq on Humanitarian Grounds

3286. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have extended aid to Iraq on humanitarian grounds; if so, the nature of the aid;

(b) the details of aid given during the last three years; and

(c) whether Government would consider taking intiative at the international level for lifting sanction against Iraq by the Security Council?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): Government of India have extended humanitarian aid to Iraq. The details of such aid given to Iraq during the last three years is as follow :

Humanitarian aid to Iraq

Sl. No.	Year	Items supplied	Value(Rs.)
1.	1995-96	(i) 1,000 tonnes of wheat	65.74 lakh
		(ii) 58 tonnes of tea	50.00 Lakh
		(iii) Medicines and pharmaceuticals	2.85 lakhs
2.	1996-97	(i) Milk powder and baby food	50.00 lakhs
		(ii) Medical equipment and appliances	150.00 lakhs
3.	1997-98	Stationery items	50.00 lakhs

2. India would like to see the removal of sanctions in tandem with Iraq's compliance with the relevant resolution of the UN Security Council.

Air Journeys charged on Haj Committee Account

3287. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Air India has issued 25 free tickets to Haj Committee for making arrangements;

(b) the number of Air journeys charged on Haj Committee's account in addition to the tickets issued by Air India; and

(c) the names of Haj Committee members and officials, who have utilised or travelled on Air India and Haj